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Professor Paul Stroobant is Acting Director of the Royal Observatory of Belgium, at Brussels, in the absence of Professor Georges Lecointe, who is serving his Government in other fields of work. Professor Stroobant has managed to continue some of the work of the observatory and is giving popular lectures on astronomy once a week. These lectures are well attended despite the unfavorable nature of existing conditions.

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CORRECTION

On page 87 of the present volume of these publications are the words: "As long ago as 1656 Huyghens, the astronomer whose careful observations paved the way for Kepler's discovery of the laws of planetary motions. . ."

This is, of course, an error, for Kepler died in 1630, one year after Huyghens was born. In writing the sentence I confused Huyghens with Tycho Brahe, under whom Kepler served for a time and whose observations were of the greatest value in the computations leading to the discovery of the laws of planetary motion.

I am indebted to an amateur astronomer friend for calling my attention to this slip.

ROBERT G. AITKEN.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE  
ANTE-ROOM OF NATIVE SONS HALL, SAN FRANCISCO,  
ON APRIL 19, 1918, AT 7.30 P.M.

First Vice-President Mrs. ISAAC ROBERTS presided.

Professor E. E. BARNARD, of Yerkes Observatory, and Bruce Medalist, was elected an Honorary Life Member of the Society.

Mr. JOHN A. BRITTON and Mr. J. HENRY MEYER, of San Francisco, were elected Life Members.

The following were elected as Active Members:

Mr. BERNARD FAYMONVILLE, of San Francisco.

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Mr. JESSE W. LILIENTHAL, of San Francisco.

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